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20 MR. LAMB: Good morning. Ladies and
21 gentlemen of the panel, my name is Joe Lamb. I'm a
22 citizen and resident of Nevada.

23 If you were going to build a house, Doctor,
24 would you build your house on a foundation of six
25 inches or a foundation of three feet? That's a

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1 question. Can you answer that? Would you build it on
2 six inches or three feet?

3 DR. DYER: I guess it depends, sir.

4 MR. LAMB: It depends? That's the political
5 answer I expected from you people.

6 Ladies and gentlemen, our state is blessed
7 with a problem. The crust of the Earth in the state of
8 Nevada is only 20 miles thick. The crust of the rest
9 of the Earth across the United States is 60 miles
10 thick. So I ask you: Why would you build a repository
11 on crust that's only 20 miles thick and also
12 geologically active as opposed to building it on crust
13 that is 60 miles thick and not active? Hello? Are we
14 here? Are you listening, sir, from Washington? I'm
15 glad you are because these people aren't.

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17 MODERATOR BROWN: In fairness, I think in

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18 order to save time, we're asking that the --

19 MR. LAMB: Okay, I'm just --

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21 MODERATOR BROWN: Okay.

22 MR. LAMB: Now, if this stuff is so safe and

23 it is so great and is so safe and it can't hurt

24 anybody, bury it under the White House. Okay?

25 Now, we have a million and a half people here

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1 and you're going to put a repository 70 miles from a

2 million and a half people? And you think we're going

3 to lay down and roll over and say fine, wonderful,

4 we'll take it. I got a solution for you. Strap it on

5 the nose of a Saturn rocket and fire it into the sun.

6 What would it cost us? A couple million dollars?

7 There's your solution, boys, because the radiation in

8 outer space will far exceed any of the plutonium that

9 we can ever produce. Therefore, fire it into the sun.

10 That's the biggest nuclear reactor we've got.

11 Therefore, it solves our problems. It's in nobody's

12 backyards and it's gone. And also start studying

13 reposessing. That's your answer, because, gentlemen,

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14 ladies, you're in for a bear fight here because we

15 ain't going to take it.

16 Thank you very much. Appreciate your time.

17 Come back and see us.